

Question on Notice

No. 87

Asked on Tuesday, 4 March 2014

DR FLEGG asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (Mr JARROD BLEIJIE) –

QUESTION:

Will the Attorney-General outline the compliance activity being undertaken by the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation with regard to the supply of liquor to minors?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Moggill for his question.

Since 1 July 2013, OLGR and QPS officers have issued a total of 1,601 fines (\$460,000) for offences relating to minors across Queensland. The majority of these fines were issued for the following offences:

- a minor consuming/possessing liquor in a public place;
- a minor falsely representing their age as 18 years old;
- a non-exempt minor being present on licensed premises (for example, an unaccompanied minor);
- a minor consuming/possessing liquor on licensed premises; and
- an adult supplying liquor to a minor in a public place.

During October 2013, OLGR, QPS and the Queensland Ambulance Service worked collaboratively to deliver over 50 education sessions to Year 12 students across Brisbane and the Gold Coast. These sessions explained the harms and possible repercussions associated with alcohol misuse and abuse.

OLGR conducted 1,786 identity checks across the State during ‘Schoolies’ festivities in 2013. These checks identified a number of school leavers on the Gold Coast who had in their possession up to four different false IDs as back up, should one of the IDs be confiscated.

A total of 510 fines (\$134,780) were issued during Queensland ‘Schoolies’ festivities in 2013. The majority of these fines were for the following offences:

- a minor consuming/possessing liquor in a public place (215 fines); and
- a minor falsely representing their age as 18 years old (127 fines).